From: HJR153

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 31, 2004 11:22 AM

To: HJR153

Subject: HJR153 - Lew Grimm

Name: Lew Grimm

Street: P.O. Box 388

City, State, Zip: Deltaville, VA 23043

Phone Number: 8047769898 Email: lew@dycboat.com Utility Type: all

Company Name: Dominion Power

Comments: Bury them.

Utility lines were originally strung from poles to provide an insulating gap around the different potentials for safety and operation. Wire manufacturing technology could not produce a product that could withstand direct buriel.

Modern conductor technology easily supports direct burial. While this choice presents different approaches, the benefits in reduced interuption, service safety, lack of poles for vehicular targets, and ongoing cost savings are more than sufficient to warrent burial as the preferred method.